

REMARKS

This case has been carefully reviewed and analyzed in view of the Final Office Action dated 31 July 2006. Responsive to the Office Action, Claims 5 and 8 have been amended to clarify the combination of elements that form the invention of the Subject Patent Application. Allowance of Claims 1 - 4 is hereby acknowledged.

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claims 5 and 6 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), as being unpatentable over Glenn, U.S. Patent No. 6,342,406. However, the Examiner kindly indicated that Claims 7 - 10 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form, including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Accordingly, Claim 5 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of Claims 6 and 7 therein. Thus, Claim 7 has effectively been placed in independent form, including all of the limitations of the base claim, Claim 5, and the only intervening claim, Claim 6. Thus, Claim 5 should now be allowable. Claim 8 has been amended to place that claim in independent form by the addition of the limitations of Claim 5 therein, and should now be allowable.

It is now believed that the subject Patent Application has been placed in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

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